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Applicant:

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For:

ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR ENGAGING A

SNOWBOARD BOOT TO A BINDING

Examiner:

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### **BOX ISSUE FEE**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR §1.312

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.312, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment to the claims after receipt of the Notice of Allowance and before payment of the issue fee in the above-identified application.

## In the Drawings

Applicants are submitting under a separate letter to the Official Draftsperson proposed corrections to Figs. 4, 5, 13, 14, 20, 21, and 23.

#### In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 30 on page 10 as shown:

It should be appreciated that it is significantly more convenient for the rider to pop the back boot out of the binding with the interface 1 attached thereto than with some known systems wherein the entire binding can be popped off of the board. For example, U.S. patent no.

APPROVED 3/20/23